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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 122482

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TAGS: PINS, ASEC

SUBJECT: TERRORISM: TWO PALESTINIANS ILLEGALLY ENTER

MEXICO WITH POSSIBLE INTENT TO ENTER US& PUERTO

RICO

REF: MEXICO 4363 (NOTAL), 4294 (NOTAL), 4279 (NOTAL)

1. FOR MEXICO: REQUEST POST FURNISH ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE INTERROGATION OF SUBJECTS BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES. ALSO, PLEASE FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 2 MEXICO 4363.

2. FOR BRASILIA: REQUEST POST QUERY APPROPRIATE BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES CONCERNING AUTHENTICITY OF BRAZILIAN PASSPORTS CARRIED BY SUBJECTS. (NOTE: MEXICAN AUTHORITIES INDICATED PASSPORTS APPEARED GENUINE.)

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3. FOR PORTO ALEGRE: TWO PALESTINIANS, SAID SAQR MOHD HUSEIN ELARAJ, PPT NO. 037095 ISSUED AT PORTO ALEGRE ON MARCH 21, 1973, AND MOHD YASUF RABIE, PPT NO. 037069 ISSUED AT PORTO ALEGRE ON DECEMBER 12, 1972, DESCRIBED AS BETWEEN 26 AND 30 YEARS OF AGE, WERE ARRESTED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES AT NUEVO LAREDO ON JUNE 15, 1973.

4. TWO SUBJECTS ARRIVED IN MEXICO CITY ON JUNE 13 AND WERE REFUSED ADMISSION BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES BECAUSE THEY

HAD NO ONWARD VISAS. THEY WERE ORDERED DETAINED UNDER VARIG AIRLINES RESPONSIBILITY AT THE AIRPORT HOLIDAY INN UNTIL THEY COULD BE RETURNED TO BRAZIL; HOWEVER, ON JUNE 14, IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT TWO MEN HAD LEFT THEIR HOTEL ROOMS.

5. SUBSEQUENT INTERROGATION OF SUBJECTS BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES INDICATED THAT THEY ARE APPARENTLY LEGITIMATE BUSINESSMEN FROM PORTO ALEGRE WHO HAD INTENDED TO VISIT FRIENDS AND RELATIVES IN NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY. AS INDICATED IN PARAGRAPH 2, MEXICAN AUTHORITIES BELIEVE PASSPORTS APPEARED GENUINE. SUBJECTS WERE PLACED ON VARIG FLIGHT DEPARTING MEXICO CITY AT 0200 JUNE 17 FOR BRAZIL.

6. REQUEST POST ASCERTAIN BONA FIDES OF SUBJECTS. RUSH

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